

Notice of Standards Committee

Date: Tuesday, 9 July 2019 at 6.00 pm

Venue: HMS Phoebe, Town Hall, Bournemouth BH2 6DY



Membership:

Cllr M Andrews
Cllr S Baron
Cllr C R Bungey

Cllr A Filer
Cllr A Jones
Cllr C Rigby

Cllr A M Stribley

Independent persons:

Mr P Cashmore

Mr I Sibley

Mr J Storey

All Members of the Standards Committee are summoned to attend this meeting to consider the items of business set out on the agenda below.

The press and public are welcome to attend.

If you would like any further information on the items to be considered at the meeting please contact: or email

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AGENDA

Items to be considered while the meeting is open to the public

1. Election of Chairman

To elect a Chairman for the Committee until the next annual meeting of the Committee

2. Election of Vice-Chairman

To elect a Vice-Chairman for the Committee until the next annual meeting of the Committee

3. Apologies

To receive any apologies for absence from Members.

4. Declarations of Interests

Councillors are required to comply with the requirements of the Localism Act 2011 regarding disclosable pecuniary interests. Declarations received will be reported at the meeting.

5. Review of Complaint

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The Local Government Ombudsman considered a Complaint dealt with by the former Bournemouth Borough Council and concluded that the Council should review the complaint and the process by which the initial consideration was undertaken.

As the former Council no longer exists, it is for BCP Council to undertake this review and it is recommended that this review is undertaken by one of the Independent Persons in consultation with the Chairman of the Committee and that the Independent Person provides a report to the Committee following this review.

6. Procedure for Initial Complaint Assessment

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The Standards Committee has statutory responsibility for promoting and maintaining high standards of conduct of councillors. This includes the handling and processing of complaints made against councillors for a breach of the code of conduct.

This report seeks to establish arrangements for undertaking the initial assessment of such complaints.

7. Councillor Development Framework

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The Standards Committee is responsible for ensuring that appropriate advice and training is provided to Councillors in respect of ethical governance and the Code of Conduct.

This report seeks to the support of the Committee for a councillor development framework for delivering continuous development opportunities for all councillors.

8. Declaration of Interests - Flowchart

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The Standards Committee is responsible for ethical governance and promoting high standards of conduct of councillors.

This report seeks to approval of a guidance flowchart to assist councillors determine whether they have a declarable interest and whether participation at a meeting would be appropriate.

9. Work Programme and Schedule of Meetings

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The Standards Committee is tasked with reviewing key constitutional documents.

This report sets out the schedule of meetings for 2019/20 and identifies the activities that require reviewing with a proposed work programme.

No other items of business can be considered unless the Chairman decides the matter is urgent for reasons that must be specified and recorded in the Minutes.